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Her Majesty kept busy in Edmonton

Queen Mother enjoys her stay

by John Copley

The Queen Mother last visited Edmonton in 1939, 46 years ago, while accompanied by her late husband, then King of England, King George VI.

The Queen Mother's recent visit was one of success and satisfaction for everyone involved. Despite a four hour delay because of inclement weather conditions the Queen Mother arrived and immediately apologized for her late arrival.

Many thousands of people managed to catch a glimpse of Her Majesty while she was in Alberta's capital.

The Queen Mother spent her first night in Edmonton at the private residence owned by tycoon Sandy McTaggert, in the Riverbend area of Edmonton.

During her stay the Queen Mother participated in many events including a ceremony at the Legislature in Edmonton. On this, her first day in the Capital, Her Majesty was greeted by over 3000 spectators who jammed the grounds in front of the Legislature. The Queen Mother reflected her vision of Alberta when she said, "When I last visited here in those far off days, times were very different. Many of your people were courageous pioneers living in hard and rugged conditions in a province afflicted by the Depression. There has been a new prosperity and a sense of optimism in recent years. All around me I sense the vitality of a young society with an exciting future."

The Queen Mother later attended a special luncheon with those present including Alberta Premier Peter Lougheed, Edmonton Mayor Lawrence Decore, and Edmonton Police Chief Robert Lunney.

The afternoon saw the Queen Mother open the 5th World Angus Forum, a cattle show dedicated to the preservation of the breed known as black Aberdeen Angus.

The Queen Mother's departure brought tears to the eyes of many of the over 300 that were on hand to wish her well at CFB Edmonton. Her Majesty was saddened by her departure from Canada saying she wished she could have remained longer. Said Don Mazankowski, Federal Minister of Transport, who was one of those who escorted the Queen Mother to the awaiting Boeing 707, "She was deeply moved by the outpouring of emotion during her visit."

Her Majesty shares common interest in Angus cattle

by John Copley

Her Majesty, the Queen Mother recently opened the 5th World Angus Forum in Edmonton. The Queen Mother has an avid interest in this particular event since she, herself is a breeder of the black Aberdeen Angus cattle. At her Scottish residence in Cathness, Scotland, Castle May, Her Majesty has a select herd of 35 cows.

The Queen Mother told a delegation of local Angus breeders that it was the cattlemen of the Commonwealth who were mainly responsible for the preservation of the breed.

Her Majesty commented that it was only thanks to the sensible and select breeding of our friends in the Commonwealth who maintained the old standards of the breed, that the well didn't dry up in the late 1960's when the breed was at its' lowest ebb.

She told a delegate of about 350 people, before opening the largest ever assembly of Angus cattle, "It is a great pleasure for me to be here among so many breeders and enthusiasts from all over the world who believe the Aberdeen Angus breed is best."

Black Gold Genesis, a nine-time champion Angus bull, owned by LeVerne Sjogren of Okotoks, Alberta caught Her Majesty's eye.

She appears interested, according to Sjogren, of obtaining semen from the bull in order that she may use it for the breeding of her own stock.

Said LaVerne Sjogren, "She (the Queen Mother) knows the breeding, she'd heard of the bull and that's why she wanted to talk. I told her a shipment of semen would be in England this year and she was very interested."

The Queen Mother was a hit with the breeders and cattlemen, many of whom referred to Her Majesty as a person who talks cattle talk.

Attorney claims special status

by Nick Michaels

Attorney Ken Staroszik says Alberta's Treaty 8 Indians have special exemption rights from the provincial Wildlife Act because of special grants awarded for hunting and fishing when the treaty was signed in 1899.

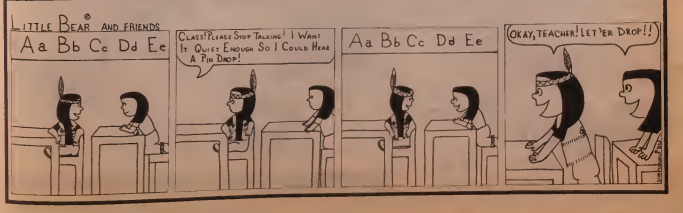
Staroszik is defending Treaty 8 Indian Bert Horseman. He is charged with unlawfully trafficing in wildlife. The charge resulted from the sale of a grizzly bear hide in 1984. The bear had been killed in the spring of 1984 on unoccupied crown land.

Attorney Staroszik is defending Horseman on the grounds that Treaty 8 was signed before Alberta became a province in 1905, and definitely it was signed before the Northwest Resources Transfer Agreement of 1930 that transferred all unoccupied crown lands (within Alberta's boundaries) to the province.

Ken Staroszik said, "Interest must be surrendered before the province has jurisdiction, and only the federal government can cause that to be surrendered. Under Treaty 8, if those are not real rights, then there was a serious misrepresentation in 1899 (by the federal government)."

Margaret Unsworth, the prosecuting crown attorney in the case says the laws in Alberta are for all Albertans including the Indian people living on reserves. She also said that the Wildlife Act is a provincial law that does not exclude special groups.

Lawyer Staroszik said that only the federal government has the jurisdiction to alter or cancel the Indians rights to hunt and fish and trap because these rights were granted by them in 1899.



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We'd naught for any other:
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Land Bill:

Does It Go Far Enough?

by Robert Girvan

The Alberta government has recently given unanimous approval to hand over title to over 1.2 million acres of settlement land to the province's Metis people. The legislation will give the 5,000 Metis now living on settlements in central and northern Alberta clear title to the land they have until now occupied under base from the government.

While Alberta is the only province in Canada to provide land and now title to the Metis; is the most recent bill enough? Provincial Native Affairs Minister Milt Pahl did not include sub-surface natural resource rights (re. minerals and oil) in the land bill. At present the government and the Metis are fighting the issue of resource ownership in court.

Sam Sinclair, president of the Metis Association of Alberta, has noted that the bill does not recognize the Metis people's right to natural resources, which he feels is the key to enabling Metis peoples on the settlements to develop their communities and human resource capabilities.

The struggle of native communities to develop and become self-sufficient is not unique to Canada. A case in point is Australia. The Australian Aborigines are locked in a never-ending battle with their government to preserve their rich cultural heritage and increase their voice over Aborigine destiny. These native peoples do not have self-government, however they do appear to have some advantages over the rights Canadian natives have.

In 1983 federal legislation was enacted in Australia which granted aborigines title and complete control over land already in their possession. Under the legislation natives are able to exercise complete control over mining and exploitation of the land for gold, silver, coal and oil. However, they are not able to sell or divide their land grant. In addition, the aborigines are to receive 75% of the state land tax (like a provincial land tax in Canada) for the next 15 years in order to enable them to purchase more land on the open market.

It is clear that the recent Alberta government land bill is a step in the right direction for the Metis. However, land ownership without resource ownership does not, in the final analysis, help the Metis attain self-sufficiency one-iota.

The chances of the Alberta government giving up a chance at resource revenues from oil and mineral deposits on Metis land is slim. But this should not dissuade the Metis from demanding the concession. After all, Aborigines have control over sub-surface resources, why not the aboriginal peoples of Canada?

Electoral Changes Now in Place

A new election format, one of the principal resolutions passed at the 56th annual assembly of the Metis Association of Alberta, in 1984, has now been registered with Consumer and Corporate Affairs.

MAA public relations officer Martin Thompson indicated the ogarization will soon hire an outside consultant to set up the new electoral system. For the very first time, a ballot box method will be in place for all future elections.

Said Thompson: "Ballot boxes will be set up in different locations around Alberta. Just where they will be located has not yet been determined." He also added that the key to the new system will be Metis locals.

"Anyone who wants to participate in the elections must be a member of a Metis local, recognized by the MAA", Thompson continued. "It is up to the locals to send in their lists of members so a master list can be drawn up for accuracy".

August is the target date set for elections of board members, the president's job, and six vice-president's positions.

Under a special resolution passed at last year's annual assembly, the MAA's board of directors will also be elected. Each of the six regions will select one candidate.

Just how and when nominations and the election will occur has yet to be decided by the MAA.

Native Review Group Appointed

The Alberta Native Affairs and Alberta Manpower departments recently appointed twelve people to review Native education, employment and training practices.

"It's the second of five special working groups designed to address issues of concern in the Native Community" said Milt Pahl, Native Affairs Minister. "The manpower working group is part of a comprehensive effort by the province to meet the expressed needs of Native people".

Four provincial officials and eight people from the public sector will weigh recommendations put forth by Native leaders at workshops sponsored by the Metis Association of Alberta over the past year.

Said Pahl: "A special emphasis will be on enhancing the number of Native people in managerial and skilled positions. It's important that Alberta's Native people have an opportunity to gain the skills and training that will equip them to contribute to and share in the province's improving economy".

The workshops have focused in on areas such as education, employment, social services, recreation, land-related issues, housing, hunting, recreation and assistance for Native businesses.

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NCC Presidency Retained by Bruyere

by Gill Mason

Louis "Smokey" Bruyere has been re-elected President of the Native Council of Canada after surviving strong challenges from both regional vice-presidents, Dwight Dorey and Harry Daniels.

The campaigns of all three men vowed that the terms "Metis" and "non-Status Indians" should be changed in the Constitution to read "Aboriginal peoples".

A return to more traditional mores and values was another vibrant theme that appeared in many of the candidates' debates, including that of Lavina Lightbrown, a United Native Nations delegate who also took a stab at the presidency.

The Native Council of Canada also agreed to make an attempt to regain prestige, as well as heal internal wounds at their thirteenth Annual Assembly, held earlier this month in the nation's capital, Ottawa.

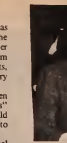
Bruyere called for increased grassroots activity form both provincial and territorial organizations, and said the NCC's pivotal role would be a close scrutinization of Indian Act revisions, and pending legislation.

Daniels, who was eliminated after the first ballot with only 22 votes of the 167 cast, had a warning for all. "The dehumanizing process that is being instituted against our people by uncaring governments continue. We sit here in this room and talk about Status Indians, we talk about Metis . . . we talk about non-Status Indians . . . we are all descendents of the original people of this country", he said.

Daniels stressed that the NCC doesn't have time for "picayune personality conflicts", although veiled references were made about problems within the organization, such as the deficit.

Lightbrown also had words of scorn, and hope, during the Assembly. "The only reason the government is talking to us is because we are a sovereign people. I know people are afraid of the word 'Sovereignty', but we can do it in other ways by talking about jurisdiction over our homelands and our resources", she remarked. "When I see the hills and the mountains all bare, and our fish being depleted, to me that is a symbol of the plight of our people in our own country".

Lightbrown was also critical of the Indian people, have retained our culture, and will continue to fight to keep our heritage", she added.



Adrian Hope

Louis Bruyere

Elder Adrian Hope, who was inducted into the Aboriginal Order of Canada during the Assembly, lauded the new direction of the NCC. "Prior to this meeting, it has always been one way — from the government to the people", he noted. "But now I see a direction from the people to the government".

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Pioneer Activist Becomes First Woman to Regain Status

Just a week after the passage of Bill C-31, Mary Two-Axe Earley, 73, became the first women to regain Indian status.

David Crombie, Indian and Northern Affairs Minister, said at the induction ceremony in a Toronto hotel that "symbolically, 116 years of gross injustice has been brought to an end." Earley, a Native and women's rights activist, originally lost her Indian status and band membership when she married a non-Indian in 1938.

Said Crombie: "I'm extremely happy to be able to present you with written confirmation from the registrar that you are now in the Indian Register, and that your membership in the Mohawk Band is immediate and permanent".

Earley was one of the founders of 'Equal Rights for Indian Women' in 1967, and the following year she became a member of the first Native women's group to submit a brief to the Royal Commission on the Status of Women. In 1979, Earley won the Governor General's "Persons Award", marking the 50th anniversary of women's right to vote in this country.

Earley and Crombie celebrate first reinstatement.

"Year after year she would criss-cross this country, and travel abroad, bringing the plight of Indian women to the attention of the world", said Crombie. "Through her exceptional courage, her phenomenal energy, her total dedication and determination, she helped make many Canadians aware of the problems she and others were facing".

Crombie also took the opportunity to explain how the controversial bill became law. He said a fair and efficient balance between two just causes — women's rights, and the rights of bands to control their membership, finally sealed the legislation.

Earley said she was stunned by the honour given her. But she also expressed concern for the descendents of women who lost their rights because of the archaic Indian Act. "I am concerned about the children. Fighting for the rights of 60,000 to 70,000 children and grandchildren will be a challenge for the next generation", she said.

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Indian Act Amendment (Bill C-31):

A Clash of Cultures

Analysis by Robert Girvan

The recent passage of federal Bill C-31, an act to amend the Indian Act, was greeted with widely divergent responses. The majority of Canadians hailed it as an ethical, just and progressive act. However, some in the native community felt that it was a stunging example of government intrusion into native affairs.

The main objective of Bill C-31 is to eliminate the sexually discriminatory section (12)(1)(B) of the Indian Act. This section stated that any native women who marries a non-Indian loses her official status and band membership. There is no similar section with respect to native men. Native men who marry non-Indian women lose neither their status or band membership.

The federal Bill will restore both status and band membership to over 16,000 native women in Alberta alone. In addition, the Bill returns status and band membership to more than 8,000 natives who lost it when they joined the Army, Clergy, or left the reserve to obtain a post-secondary education or a job.

Bill C-31 came about as a result of the enactment of section(15) of our Canadian Charts of Rights and Freedoms, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex. Our politicians in Ottawa were forced into action as section (12)(1)(B) of the Indian Act was discriminatory, and the courts would have declared it unconstitutional (in effect wiping it off the books).

From the perspective of many, Bill C-31 is a positive step. Nothing should stand in the way of equality for all persons. One wonders how strongly the men who object to the Bill would react if through the luck of the draw, they had been born women.

It is clear that equality of all citizens is something which must be strived for, what is causing criticism of the Bill? Alberta Indian leader, Wilf Mcdougall went so far as to protest in Ottawa.

It is his steadfast belief that since Indian government existed before non-native institutions, the federal government should not, and cannot, dictate to Indians what is going to happen on their reserves.

Mcdougall's sentiments illustrate the crux of the problem, and that is: the clash of cultures.

On one hand we have the federal government enacting equitable legislation which must be enacted. However, the Indian Chiefs see it as a method through which their authority is taken unjustly. They perceive the Bill as one more step of many, of nonnatives intruding into Indian affairs.

At first glance it appears that Bill C-31 is a perfect solution which should satisfy everyone. However, upon closer circumspection it does have flaws which reflect the compromise necessary in its formulation. Yes, one specific area of discrimination against women has been removed. However, in doing so, authority regarding Indian status and band membership has been in effect transferred from the band to the federal government.

If it is to be conceded that Bill C-31 is a compromise, were there any better solutions? It appears not. For example, as vital as it is for band councils to have control over band membership — how can the federal government allow one single Canadian citizen to be discriminated against? (if it has the power to stop it.) It is true that discrimination exists everywhere, on the basis of sex, creed, race, ethnic group and age. But, that does not mean that it should not be eliminated wherever possible.

In summation, Bill C-31 has corrected an unfair, inequitable section of the Indian Act that had to be changed. The nobleness of the act does not lessen the harsh reality of its effects: a greater intrusion of government into the autonomy of Indian bands, and the financial burden that might be placed upon bands with returning members.

In the final analysis, at stake is the power of Indian bands to control their own destiny. They lost this battle, but a loss here was inevitable and quite possibly just. We must have equality for all. Bill C-31 was a compromise, and as such did not please everyone. Indian bands will continue to strive to preserve their rich culture and tradition, but it will be more difficult now, even with a fair act like Bill C-31.

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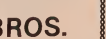

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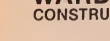

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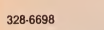

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Discovery '85 is the second of Edmonton's Discovery programs. Discovery was piloted in the summer of 1984 by a multicultural team of university and community college students. Designed and directed by Heidi Hurd, who in 1982 established a similar on-going program in Winnipeg, Edmonton's Discovery program employs art, music, drama, dance, theatre, sports and multicultural games to develop in young participants the language and life skills crucial to their adaptation to Canada.

"The Discovery program is an exploration of what it means to be Canadian," says Hurd. "It encourages young newcomers to celebrate their cultural differences while discovering common bonds of friendship which transcend the boundaries of race, colour and creed."

Discovery '85 incorporates two new components which were developed as a result of the Discovery staff's experiences in 1984. "We found that the most basic needs of the participants in Discovery '84 were language and health related," says Ian McBride, a Program Coordinator with Discovery '84 and the Administrative Assistant with Discovery '85. "Many of the children and youth in Discovery '84 spoke little or no English and a number of them demonstrated serious health and dental problems."

In response to the needs identified in the 1984 program, Discovery '85 now includes both a language/life skills component and a comprehensive health and dental screening program. "Most new immigrants to Canada contend that being Canadian means being free. But as is quickly learned, freedom in Canada means little without the languag and social skills essential to economic survival and cultural adaptation," says Donald Kumpf, the Language/Life Skills Coordinator with Discovery '85.

Also crucial to encouraging integration is attention to basic health and dental needs. Discovery '85 has a team of two Health Specialists who, in conjunction with Dr. Tissa Kapugoda, Research Professor of Medicine at the University of Alberta, have organized a group of health and dental professionals from the Edmonton community to conduct a comprehensive screening of the 200 children and youth involved in the Discovery camps. The results of the screening program will be communicated to parents so that they may pursue necessary follow-up care, and the statistical data compiled will be useful to professionals when designing programs and services which address the needs of the new immigrants.

Now an incorporated Association, Discovery is sponsored by Alberta Culture Heritage Foundation, Alberta Manpower (STEP), the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission (SEED), Secretary of State and the Edmonton Food Bank.

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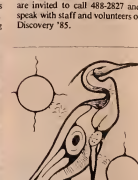

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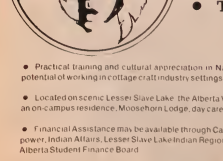

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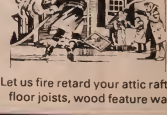

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Pahl Announces Four Native Grants

by Jim Crow

Milt Pahl

Alberta Native Affairs Minister, Milt Pahl, recently announced that four Native organizations will receive grants totalling more than $37,000 to assist with youth-oriented projects.

The organizations obtaining grants include: Sacred Circle Summer Cultural Camp ($14,000); Sandy Lake School Project ($14,152); Student observer at 1985 First Ministers' Conference ($981); and Yellowhead Tribal Council - Youth/Elders Conference ($7,810).

The Sacred Circle Camp will help 75 youths attending public schools to experience traditional Native cultural teaching in a wilderness setting. There will be three, six-day sessions, each accomodating 25 students. The youths will work with Native Elders and learn traditional crafts and ceremonies while living in teepees on the Morley Reserve.

Sandy Lake School project funding will help the community build a full-size gymnasium. The facility will provide a much-needed place for students and young adults to participate in sports, as well as social events. The community also received financial aid from the Alberta Municipal Debt Reduction Program. Sandy Lake is situated 100 km northeast of Slave Lake.

At the request of the Metis Association of Alberta (MAA), a grant was provided to University of Alberta student John Korteum, to permit him to travel to Ottawa and observe the First Ministers' Conference on Aboriginal issues. Korteum, a Metis from Desmarais, is studying history and political science.

The grant to the Yellowhead Tribal Council (YTC) toward a special Youth/Elder Conference will give between 300 and 400 people a chance to participate in a variety of workshops, such as suicide prevention and abuse of drugs. The three-day event, to be held this month, is called the Eagle Flight Conference.

YTC organizer Bob Cardinal said the grounds and facilities of the Poundmaker Nechi Centre near St. Albert will be used for the conference, along with a number of large tents.

The grants to the Yellowhead Tribal Council will assist in the development of a special Youth/Elder Conference, with a focus on child welfare. The event will give 122 youths from the area an opportunity to learn more about their Native culture, as well as reaffirming traditional group support systems.

The Minister also announced that he has asked the Native Affairs Secretariat to commission a half-hour feature film about Alberta's Native youth in recognition of the Internatinal Year of Youth.

"The film will document the exciting and productive contribution that Alberta Native youth make in communities throughout the province", said Pahl. The film will be shot in Alberta this summer for release in the fall.

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The Alberta Indian Arts and Crafts Society is pleased to announce the winner of the Second Annual Scholarshop Award for Native and Emerging Alberta Native Artists.

A $5,000 scholarship was awarded 25 June 1985 by the jurors to thirty-one-year-old artist Roy Jack Saloprree. The scholarship will assist Roy with attaining formal art education.

"Roy is a self-taught artist whole talent greatly deserves this award," says Lee Willier, President of the Alberta Indian Arts and Crafts Society. The Society was pleased to learn that Roy intends to enroll in a 4-year program at the Alberta College of Arts, SAIT, Calgary.

The winning pen and ink drawing took the artist ninety-seven hours to complete. Titled: *De Chi Dene Dja Yen O?*, the drawing is of a large hawk perched on a tree which incorporates animals and figures symbolic of Saloprree's culture. The artist states "I'm trying to create different art forms in my mind . . . my own way of creating . . . art is in the blood".

The Society received fifty-two entries from across the province for new and emerging Alberta Native artists. The jury deliberated, 25 June, in the Society's Edmonton offices for five hours before awarding the scholarship to Saloprree, who resides in Meander River, Alberta. The jurors were: Dr. John Lunn, Executive Director of Museum Services, Alberta Culture; Phyllis Matousek, Edmonton Native Journal, Art Critic; Alex Janvier, renowned Alberta Native Artist of international repute; and Kathleen Knowlton, Manager of the Robert Vanderleelie Art Gallery, Edmonton.

The firt runner-up for the award was artist Faye Heavyshield of Calgary and the second runner-up was Patricia Castor of Edmonton.

The winning drawing will be in the Second Annual Alberta Native Art Festival exhibition and sale, at the Robert Vanderleelie Gallery, 11523 - 100 Avenue, 6 August to 7 September, 1985.

"Asum Mena" is the title of this yar's Native art exhibition and sale. In Cree the meaning is "once again" which the Society regards as very appropriate for this annual event which is evolving as an important catalyst within the Alberta Native artistic community.

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Yukon PC Shadow Cabinet in Place

by A. Shapiro

The new leader of the Yukon Progressive Conservative Party (PC), William Phelps, has announced his 'shadow cabinet', which he says will be a vocal and just force for the peoples of the Yukon.

Phelps remarked that he and his colleagues will rely on their years of experience and teamwork to offer advice and fight against issues they think are unwise for Yukoners.

Phelps will hold the shadow cabinet positions of Justice, Land Claims and Public Service Commission critic. Danny Lang, Phelp's top gun when the Conservatives were in power, was made critic for Community and Transportation, and Tourism. Lang was also appointed PC House Leader.

Former Health and Human Resources minister, Bea Firth, who ran unsuccessfully against Phelps in the last PC race, was assigned as Education, and Women's Bureau critic.

Andy Philipsen, former Justice minister, will be the shadow cabinet critic for Health and Human Resources, and Government Services. Bill Brewster will be the critic for Agriculture, a portfolio he held while the PC's were in power.

"We intend to work as a team", said Phelps. "We have lots of talent and we'll be using that. We don't know where the 'unholy alliance' between the Liberals and the NDP will take us, but we must be on our toes once we ascertain what direction the new government is going in".

Phelps also had a warning for the New Democratic Party concerning their intention to create all-party committees. He said the PCs will be watching to see if the NDP are forming such bodies to avoid, or at least partially deflect, their own responsibilities.

"It was our policy to form all-party committees to look into complex and important issues pertaining to all Yukoners, but the party in power must not pass the buck", commented Phelps. "We'll be watching the government, and the committees appointed. It should not be a means for the government to cop-out of decisions that otherwise could be made by them".

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Julian Koziak, Alberta Municipal Affairs minister, today announced the awarding of two contracts, totalling about $1.36 million, to build a water distribution and sewage collection system for the Kikino Metis Settlement and a water supply system for the Big Prairie Metis Settlement.

Scotcor Construction Ltd. of Leduc will construct the water distribution and sewage collection system at Kikino, at a cost of $876,995. The system will include a lift station and forcemain.

Nason Construction Ltd. of Edmonton has been awarded a contract worth $480,293 to build the water supply system in the Hamlet of Big Prairie.

Construction will include a raw water pumping chamber and supply line, a water treatment plant and pumphouse and service connections.

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Former Eckville teacher receives fine for promoting hatred

Jim Keegstra Found Guilty

by Nick Michaels

Jim Keegstra, the Eckville, Alberta ex-school teacher, charged with promoting hatred against an identifiable group of people, has been found guilty at a recent trial in Red Deer.

After several weeks of testimony and over 30 hours of deliberation the 10-man 2-woman jury rendered the guilty verdict before Queen's Bench Justice John MacKenzie.

The law which convicted Keegstra had only been used once before in Canada's history. The precedent was set in 1970 during the trial of two Ontario men, Roberta Buzzanga and Jean Durocher. After being found guilty of a similar charge the two were later acquitted by an appeal court judge.

Ernst Zundel, a convicted anti-Jewish propogandist referred to the trial of Jim Keegstra as a "classical political trial" not unlike those hold in the Soviet Union. Said Zundel, "I'm not surprised by the verdict. The trial had all the hallmarks of a classic political trial held in the U.S.S.R."

There were many others who felt saddened by the verdict. Among those was a juror in the case, Dwight Arthur, who has pledged to support Keegstra with financial aid so that he will be able to pay his $5,000 fine.

Arthur, although against anti-Semitism believes that due to the rights of freedom of speech, the charge should have never been laid.

Many Eckville residents were sympathetic towards Keegstra. Many contend that he (Keegstra) was only voicing his own beliefs and not willfully promoting hatred.

The Christian Defence League of Canada said that it will be starting a major campaign to raise funds for Keegstra's fine and future appeal.

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The work of assembling the display has already begun and the project's group members are seeking clothing articles for loan or donation. They are also involved in collecting information on coldwear. Printed matter such as trade literature, catalogues, brochures, etc., or personal materials such as pictures, illustrations, patterns, receipts, journal items, etc. would all be welcome contributions.

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Theatre au Bois, a la Nakai Players

by B.H. Chaparell

The Nakai Players are once again performing their unique mix of Indian legends and contemporary dances during their summertime "Theatre in the Woods!" show. During the 1985 tour, the players will be singing, dancing and miming their way across Canada, from Prince Edward Island to Vancouver.

The Nakai Players will make their home in campgrounds, parks, community centres, and anywhere else where they can hang their collective hats. With the added help of a vehicle purchase this year, and with more sophisticated props constructed by designer Chris Paridee, the show produced for this summer's tour will surpass all previous tours.

"We did all our own designs, both in costumes and stage sets", said Paridee. "The stage set is designed to be portable so that we can take everything with us when we go on tour. This year we have our own transportation — which is a great help. Last summer we had to find rides to and from various locales, and that was a bit of a drag".

This summer, the Nakai Players have divided their show into six acts, two of which are artistic representations of Indian legends — "The Birth of Crow" and "The Sun and Moon". Dance instructor Beth Mulloy said all six are original works, adapted from legend to dance.

Mulloy remarked that the Theatre in the Woods production was a success last season, and she expects even better results this year. "We had a good response from Yukoners who attended our show, especially the younger crowd", said Mulloy.

The Theatre in the Woods production is sponsored by a Student Employment Grant, and employs nine thespians, as well as a support staff. But Paridee said she is now looking at ways to have the show permanently sponsored by donations from the private sector.

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Cancer Study sees Bartenders and Waiters at Highest Risk

by J. Copley

Canadian bartenders and waiters have the highest risk of contracting cancer says a study being conducted by the National Cancer Institute of Canada. The study shows that these professions can be as high as 6 or 7 times greater risks to contact the dreaded disease.

Carpenters, fishermen, loggers and rural store employees are among those with the best chance of eluding cancer.

Over 450,000 Canadian men were studied . . . and are still being monitored.

The men in the study represent about 10 percent of the workforce that was employed full-time between the years of 1965 through 1971.

By 1979, 40,000 of those being studied had died. The study will continue another 20 or 30 years and end only after all those being watched are dead.

Diet and smoking habits of the subjects under study are unknown to the researchers.

A breakdown of the results to date indicate that oral cavity cancer is caused primarily by smoking and the often combined drinking of alcoholic beverages. Thus the high figure for bartenders and waiters.

The risk of urinary or bladder cancer is almost eight times the workforce average among men who work in retail stores.

Bladder cancer has been linked to smoking but studies also show that it is significantly higher in men who are exposed to chemicals in the work place.

Those with twice the chance of contracting lung cancer over the rest of the labor force include bricklayers, plumbers, tilesetters, stonemasons and pipe-fitters.

The study does have some good news for the working man though . . . they have a 20 per cent lower death rate from all illnesses than the Canadian population as a whole.

Have You

by John Copley

Have you been upon a sailboat
That floated on the ocean,
Did you ever sit along the shore
To build sandcastles by the sea.
Have you ever tried to climb
a mountain
Just because you had
the notion,
Have you touched the mighty
totem pole
And felt it's dignity?

Have you gazed upon a
wheatfield
Swaying gently in the breeze,
Have you hiked the dusty
highways
Or been caught in winter's
freeze.
Have you jumped aboard a
freight train
When it was too far to walk
or run,
Did you ever take a stroll
Just to enjoy
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Cleanliness

by Wagamese

Wilbur Huntinghawk as the kind of kid who had a hard time avoiding dirt. He had no trouble at all avoiding soap and water. Now a person like that can live alone happily, but Wilbur was eight years old. He had a family to consider. His family didn't mind a small mess now and then. What they were getting tired of was a big mess all the time.

His mother always joked she should throw Wilbur in the washing machine. She probably would have too, expect she knew he would just plug up the drain.

His dad said Wilbur didn't leave fingerprints, he left bodyprints.

Wilbur's sister was always trying to spray him with perfume or bathroom cleaner.

Wilbur's brothers shared a bedroom with him. They said weird little animals had moved in under Wilbur's junky bed.

One very hot and dusty day, Wilbur walked in the kitchen.

The family was just getting ready to eat lunch.

"Who are you," he was asked.

"Very funny," Wilbur answered back, "It's me, Wilbur, your hungry brother."

"We don't know anybody by that name," his sister replied.

"It can't be, we only have clean people in this family," his mother said.

"Aw, come one, it really is me, your son, Wilbur, the cute one," Wilbur replied, reaching for a soup bowl.

"You can't be," Wilbur's father said, "nobody around this table looks like you."

"Or smells like you either," his two brothers replied at the same time.

"Okay, okay, I get it," Wilbur said, "give me twenty minutes, and I'll prove it!" He went down the hall and then reappeared with a towel and soap.

"Now I know for sure that can't be Wilbur. Wilbur wouldn't go near soap unless he was tied up," his mother laughed.

Wilbur headed out the door. They all heard the splash as he hit the lake just down the hill from their place. Twenty minutes later he was back. This time he was a shiny brown, not his usual dusty gray self.

After lunch Wilbur cleaned his room. He started bathing once a week, twice if he was cornered. He never stayed perfectly clean. Nobody expects an eight year old to. He did not however, ever get so dirty he could not be recognized, and the strange little critters didn't move back in under his bed.

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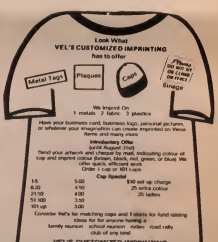

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Hope . . .

by Wagamese

A wolf mother lay down in the den and said, "rain is falling out there."

An hour later, the wolf father came in and he said, "it's getting chilly now."

After a while a cub wolf came in and asked, "why is it so rainy and chilly in the middle of summer?"

That, as it turned out, was a very good question for the rain and chill stayed and stayed.

At first the wolves were not bothered by this, thinking the sun would soon return. They cheered each other with stories. They played wolf mind games. Their favourite one, was were one would close her eyes and think of what she'd like most to be eating. The others would try to guess what it was. They all liked to play that one and so the hours would pass.

Each morning one would go up on the hill to check the sky. Each day the news was the same, more rain, more chill.

After a while the den started getting muddy from wet wolf paws. Then it got soggy, then cold and wet and soggy. Soon after that, the wolves started getting crabby and snapping at one another.

Once they could look in each others face, see a smile and feel cheered up. Now all they saw was frowns and don't-bug-me-now looks. Everyone of them had given up hope of ever seeing the sun or feeling warm again.

Nobody talked to anybody else anymore. It was like living with strangers, grouchy strangers, strangers with teeth.

One day the wolves all looked at each other with the same look on their faces. The same thought was on their minds. Yes, they had had enough of living together, they were all leaving — this den, this crabbing, this family.

Just as they were about to snarl their goodbyes, a thin ray of sunlight shone down amongst them. Well, those wolves just forgot all their troubles, they danced around and hugged each other. They went out to a high rocky place, lay down next to each other and took turns napping in the glorious sunlight.

Hope had returned to that family. Without hope, without a family pulling through hard times together, a family can come apart.

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by Wagamese

Rita Littlebear was having one of those days. You know the kind where every little thing either gets you mad, or sad, or both.

The water in the wash basin was cold. This made her wish they had hot running water like the school did.

Her brothers and sisters were all making noises or what they called jokes. Rita wanted to tell them how dumb they all sounded.

Outside she could see gray rain falling from a low sky. Sometimes weather like that hung around for weeks. Rita hated it.

At school, things just got worse. She had to read stuff she didn't want to know about, and multiply big numbers nobody in their right mind could get right.

By the time she got back home she was very, very depressed. She wanted to be alone but there was no place to be alone at home. She was mad but didn't know why and she couldn't stop herself either. She sort of felt like crying, she was so mixed up. Finally, she went to the back door to watch the rain fall.

"Anything wrong, Rita," her mother, Rosella asked.

Rita shook her head. She heard her mother pour a cup of tea, then come and stand there too.

After awhile, Rosella said, "I know just how you are feeling, Rita."

"I feel like you do today too. I get mad over nothing and sad over everything. Living under a cloud, you could call it, though I have known sunny days that get to me just like this."

"The only thing worse would be to feel like this and have to face it alone. Days like this, I really need you kids, my whole family around. It's funny because my family is sometimes the cause of my mood, but after a while, maybe we do something together, laugh over this or that, well, my unhappiness or whatever it is goes away somehow."

"Wait and see, you'll find out what I mean."

Rita was quiet all through supper. She went to a corner to do her homework. She finished that then stared at the TV without really watching it. Finally, her mother came over with some baking she had just brought from the oven.

"Come help us in the kitchen, Rita," she said.

Rita went in there, and spent the next half hour helping knead dough. Then she had some tea and listened to her sisters tease each other. Then they got after her and she started to laugh at how crazy they were. Suddenly the kitchen, the house, started to feel so nice and warm and sweet smelling. Rita just found herself smiling around. She was thankful to be home and that her family was there. She was thankful she wasn't alone somewhere else.

She caught her mother's eye and saw the same happy look there. Rita went over and hugged her mom's waist as hard as she could.

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Ans. A pump handle.

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Ans. Horse.

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FIVE PART PUZZLER

I am part of a chain. Change my first letter and turn me into a colour. Change my first letter again and turn me into a thing you skate on. Change it again and I may be your favourite kind of coat. Change the first letter one last time, and I am a motion of your eye. WHAT AM I??

Ans. link - pink - rink - mink - wink

Each issue we will feature two puzzlers. The answers will appear in the following issue of the Native News.

PUZZLER #1
Tell me ladies if you can,
Who is this highly favored man?
Who, though he's married many a wife,
May still stay single all of his life.

PUZZLER #2
The beginning of endless
The end of time and space
The beginning of every word
The end of every place.
What am I?

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S PUZZLERS:

PUZZLER #1 — I was the only person going to Lac La Biche.

PUZZLER #2 — This question presents one of mathematics unsolvable problems. The only way to figure it out is to use simple calculations of adding and subtracting. The initial figure was $21. If we take the $5 off of this we have $16. Now add the $3 that was returned to the hotel guests, this is $19. Now add the $2 that the bellboy kept, this brings our total back to the original $21.

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Happiness

by Wagamese

Alvin's grandfather told Alvin this one day. "Alvin," the old man had said, "there are some things in this life, some happiness a person can only know through family. Not that other people don't care, it's just they can't share the best of times a family can over a family kind of thing."

A new baby had just come into their house. Alvin was busy being a big brother. He didn't rally take the time to understand what his grandfather said. This is a story about how Alvin found out on his own, what the old man had told him.

Alvin went out on the back porch one morning to feed Waller, the dog. Most of the time Waller was right there, but sometimes you had to whistle. Alvin whistled, no Waller.

Alvin went down by the water where his dad was cleaning some nets. "No," his dad said, "I haven't seen him either." His dad often took Waller hunting, because Waller was a good hunting dog but not that morning.

Alvin walked a little ways into the bush calling the dog. Finally, he had to head for school.

All dog long Alvin worried. Waller wasn't just a dog, he was a part of their family. He would play with you when no one else would. You could tell Waller secrets and he never would tell them to anybody. Waller was what his older brother called, 'solid'.

After school, Alvin searched from one end of the reserve to the other. Nobody had seen him. Some people looked at Alvin like he should be doing something more useful with his time.

The R.C.M.P. constables asked him, "were there signs of a struggle, have you received a ransom note?" Alvin knew the constable was kidding.

The school principal said, "Well, you know what they say about an untied hound and the open road." Alvin had a hard time understanding teachers sometimes.

The chief said, "Well, if he comes by my office, I'll pass your message along." Alvin knew Waller didn't

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understand about offices and messages.

Wailer had been gone a month when even Alvin was sure the dog wasn't coming back. Alvin was walking alone along the road feeling his friend slipping further and further away. Suddenly, he heard a cracking sound in the bush charging straight toward him, fast.

Alvin's eyes went big. His mouth went dry. Was it a bear? His feet wanted to run, but his brain had already fainted. The bushes flung open, a big black head popped out. Holy smokes. It was Wailer. Alvin threw his arms around his long lost friend. Wailer squirmed out of Alvin's hug and ran around like he had already forgotten he'd been gone he was so happy to be back.

On the way back Alvin met three people in cars that stopped to talk.

The first was the constable who asked, "Hey kid, do you have a license for that dog?" Alvin knew he was being kidded but he had no time for it. He wanted to get Wailer home.

The next stop was the teacher who said, "there must be a lesson in this somewhere." Whatever it was, Alvin wasn't interested in learning about it, not today.

The chief stopped next. He said, "That dog of yours sure listens good. Now if I could just get everybody else on this reserve to listen half as well . . ." Alvin knew the chief was thinking about something else already, so he just waved quietly and left.

Back at the house everybody was glad to see good old Wailer again. Alvin's dad gave Wailer moose meat to eat, his sister brushed Wailer. Everybody took turns petting him.

Alvin could see they had all missed Wailer in their own ways. He thought about the constable, the school principal, the chief. He thought about what his grandfather had said that time about families and happiness and then he understood what the old man had told him about all that.

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The Ceremony . . .

by Wagamese

Emmylou Muskego tore down the gravel road on her tensped. She was going to her cousins place in the city and she was never coming back. Her parents had told her she could go, then they had changed their minds. Well, Emmylou Muskego had not changed her. She didn't even care that it was getting dark and it was over a hundred miles to her cousins. She didn't want to wait til later, she wanted to go now, and she was going.

Emmy had called her big cousin, Rosie, on the phone sometime in May. Rosie had asked her to come visit when school was over. Well, school was over and her parents had said back then she could go.

She came to a long, steep hill. Halfway up, she had to get off and push her bike. As she pushed, her head was down watching her feet take one step after another. The longer that hill got, the more the anger went out of her thoughts.

Her parents hadn't really said, 'no.' What they had said, was to wait til after the spring gathering was over. The gathering was a ceremony that lasted three days. The Muskego family always went, even the ones who lived in the city, everybody showed up there. Still, even though she had a good time with her cousins and friends there, she didn't want to wait til after. Besides all that, her cousin Rosie hadn't been to one ever since she had left to go to school two years ago. Emmy couldn't wait to surprise Rosie.

Rosie had always told Emmy not to be afraid of anybody or anything. 'Don't take no for an answer if that little voice inside tells you 'not to', Rosie had said. Rosie did whatever she wanted. She was going to school to be a lawyer, she had her own place, her own car. Emmy was going to do all that too, someday. Nobody was going to stop her or tell her how, or when, not her family, not anyone.

Emmy's thoughts were broken by a car stopping just ahead of her, she looked up from her feet. It was her cousin, her head poked out from the car window.

"Where are you off to there, cupcake," Rosie asked.

"I was coming to visit you," Emmy answered, after the surprise wore off enough for her to think in words.

"Well nobody's home over there," Rosie said as she opened the car door and swung her legs out. "Well my goldfish, Herman is, but he never answers the door." Rosie walked around the back of the car and opened the trunk. Emmy was standing still, just holding her bike, her mind had suddenly gone blank.

"Suppose we put your bike in here and we go for a little walk," Rosie said.

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As they went along, Emmy told Rosie about what her parents had said and how she had ended up pushing her bike up that hill. Emmy looked up wondering what to expect. She could see Rosie smiling with her eyes like she did when someone or something pleased her.

"You know something Emmy," Rosie said as her face went as soft as her voice was going, "a person can get pretty mixed up thinking they know more than anybody else. Then they can get completely lost when they find out they don't."

"One thing I've found out living in the city is that a lot of people there are pretty mixed up. Maybe they know alot about things we don't know, but they don't know about the really important stuff. For one thing, most of them my age can't talk to their parents without fighting. They never even mention their grandparents. It's like they don't have a thing to share with their older people, their family, at least not like we do. They say they don't need them anymore, they say they don't even miss them."

Emmy was trying to imagine what that would be like, but all she could see was how lonely that could get.

"So I was thinking about all that stuff last night. That's when I decided to come to the ceremony that I've been missing ever since I was away getting so smart. I finally realized how much I missed my family and all my relatives, everybody on the reserve. People who look at things the same way I do, people who believe in the same things, eat the same food, people who laugh and cry over the same things."

They had stopped walking and Emmy knew her cousin was crying. She reached in her pocket for an old piece of tissue and handed it to Rosie.

"Anyways that's how I've been feeling lately," Rosie said, "and I don't want to feel that way when I can easily do something about it."

All of a sudden Emmy looked around and realized how big the prairie was, how soon the sun would go down and what she would have done if Rosie hadn't come along. She looked back down the road and she could see her dad's half ton truck coming up the hill.

She turned towards her cousin, "so can I still come and visit you after the ceremonies are over?"

Rosie explained that she had planned to spend the whole summer on the reserve but she would take Emmy with her when she had to go to Calgary now and then. Then she said, "Don't worry about your dad, he knows all about the stubborn streak that runs in our side of the family, especially in us women."

As they were heading back towards the road Emmy asked, "What about Herman, he's going to starve."

"Oh, the people who live upstairs are going to feed him and he won't be lonesome either because he'll be busy guarding my place."

"How can he guard anything, he's just a fish," Emmy replied, rolling her eyes.

"Well he may be just a little fish, but he's tough, just like us," Rosie said, giving Emmy a little shove on the shoulder.

Pretty soon they were chasing each other around making happy noises in that big, green place between the new summer high grass and the old quiet sky.

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DENTAL HEALTH

Let's Talk About Your Children's Teeth

As a Dental Therapist working in Alberta, I have noticed over the last three years that the children age 2 to 6 years have a major dental problem. This problem is called *Baby Bottle Syndrome*, occuring in children age 12 months to 6-7 years.

It all starts when parents put their young children to bed with a bottle of sugar enriched formula, juice, kool-aid or pop. As the baby nurses the bottle and drifts off to sleep this liquid settles on the teeth and begins the decaying process. It doesn't take long to notice the teeth begin to turn a grey/brown.

At night when the act of swallowing as well as the salivary flow decreases, the liquid takes longer to be naturally cleaned from the mouth. You will notice that the front top teeth are usually the first ones to decay. This is because, when the child sucks the bottle, the tongue covers the lower teeth. Children with Baby Bottle Syndrome are uncomfortable as well as in pain when the teeth become infected.

Please, if you are going to give your baby a bottle in bed, make it *WATER*. Do not add any sugar to the water. Giving the child a bottle in bed is not necessary, a child must learn to go to sleep on its own.

Babies who are breast fed do not have Baby Bottle Syndrome. Mothers milk is the best milk for your baby, it is made especially for your baby. It is the best milk for your baby to grow up strong and healthy.

Children with infected teeth are not healthy. Infections inside the gums cause many other problems. To extract an infected tooth from a young child is a horrible experience for the child as well as the dentist. Don't put your baby through that experience at a young age, it will last a life time.

How To Clean a Young Child's Teeth

Anywhere from age 4 months to 8 months the teeth will start to appear in the mouth. These are primary teeth or baby teeth. Primary teeth are much softer than Adult teeth and decay much quicker. Baby teeth as well adult teeth must be cleaned on a daily basis.

Cleaning a young child's teeth is very easy and takes only a few minutes a day. When only the front teeth are present in the mouth, they should be cleaned with a wet facecloth or gauze. Cleaning should be done before bedtime. Have the child lay down with his/her head in your lap, whip the teeth and gums with the facecloth. Do not rub hard, a gentle stroking motion will do fine. A young child may fight you at first, do not give up.

Once cleaning the teeth becomes a routine the child will enjoy the time you spend with them and the concern you show for their health.

Once the molar (back grinding teeth) have appeared in the mouth a toothbrush should be used. Children's toothbrushes are available from all Dental Therapists, as well as all drug stores.

Toothpaste is not necessary, it is not the toothpaste that cleans the teeth it is the action of the toothbrush bristles against the teeth and gums. Parents must continue to brush their children's teeth until the child is able to do an effective job themselves, around 5 or 6 years of age. Always supervise your children when they brush so you can check their teeth to makes sure they do a good job. Always praise your children for brushing their teeth.

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• Candidate must be of Native ancestry.

• Candidate must have demonstrated a willingness to volunteer his/her help with non-profit organization.

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• Candidate must include recent photo, letters of reference from employers, schools, communities.

Application must provide the following information to the Canadian Native Friendship Centre before October 20, 1985.

For more information contact Gordon Russell at 482-6051.

NWT Man Charged After Wife's Murder

When RCMP members arrived at the Detah, NWT home of Alfred and Mary Louise Bailergeon they found Mary Louise unconscious and severely beaten.

Her death brought about a murder charge against her husband Alfred Bailergeon. RCMP Corporal Dave Grundy of Yellowknife said Alfred was charged on July 16.

Detah is a community located approximately 32 km northwest of Yellowknife.

Freak Accident Kills Baby

An unusual accident on the Sturgeon Lake Reserve has brought about the death of a baby boy. Dead is one year old Christian Bernard Kiyawasom of Calais.

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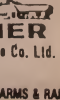

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In our last issue of the Native News we began a new column called Recipe Corner. Our first issue with the recipe corner suggested that you, the reader, send in some of your favourites for us to publish. Your response has been good and in this issue we are happy to publish two of those submitted. We are also considering having a contest later this year . . . a contest where you the reader send in your preserve, jam, jelly, etc. recipes . . . The entries would then be sampled by a panel of judges and the winner would receive a special prize. Any ideas that you may have on how we may make this a success will be appreciated. Send us a letter today . . . address it to
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From reader Winifred Freeland of Edmonton we have a recipe which proved to be a success when we tried it. She calls them

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INGREDIENTS
2 cups sifted flour
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3 tbsp. sugar (white)
¼ c margarine
Pinch of salt
A handful of raisins
2 eggs (let sit at room temp. for 30 min.)
Milk

PREPARATION
Mix the flour, baking powder and salt together. Using either a pastry mixer or a couple of knives, add margarine and mix until you have the consistency of cornmeal. Add the sugar. Beat the eggs well and mix into the bowl. Add raisins and mix. Knead until smooth. Pat into a large round. Brush with milk. Cut into pieces. Bake 10 min. at 450°.
If the consistency of mix is not satisfactory to you, add a little more margarine or milk.

From another reader, Mrs. Helen Cardinal, we received a recipe for a strawberry treat. With gardens about to yield a nice crop of strawberries . . . here's what to do with them. Since there was no title to this recipe, we decided to call it

STRAWBERRY PATCH SHORTCAKE

Makes 6 to 8 servings. Perfect for that birthday dinner.

INGREDIENTS
2 c flour
¼ c sugar
4 tsp. baking powder
½ c butter or margarine
¼ tsp. salt
Dash of nutmeg
½ c milk
2 eggs, separated
2 pints fresh strawberries
1 c whipping cream (lightly whipped and sweetened)
Extra sugar to sprinkle on top of finished goods.

PREPARATION
Rub a 9" cake pan with a tbsp. of butter or margarine. Sift flour, sugar, baking powder, salt and nutmeg into a mixing bowl. Cut in butter/margarine and mix to resemble coarse meal. In a measuring cup, blend milk and egg yolks with fork. Stir into flour mixture and make a soft dough. Pat out in prepared pan (moistening fingers with egg whites to prevent sticking). Brush surface with remaining egg whites. Sprinkle generously with about 3 tbsp. of sugar. Place in a pre-heated oven (450°) for 12 minutes or until golden. Cool on rack. Slice berries and sweeten to taste. Serve wedges of shortcake with berries and cream. Guaranteed to come back for seconds.

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Many productive and prosperous farmers use tax management strategies that could harm their long-term financial security, warns Dan Hoodicoff, chartered accountant at Olds.

A common example of this, he says, is using every available means to minimize taxes. Many farmers use cash tickets to defer income from grain, or buy next year's fertilizer to increase tax deductible expenses, thereby winding up with little or no taxable income.

These farmers have achieved the goal of paying no tax, but have perhaps not used personal tax deductions which are available only for a specific tax year. "That is not good tax management — or good farm management either", said Hoodicoff. If focusing on a single target, such as avoiding tax, it is not in a farmer's best interests over the long run if other management functions aren't properly scrutinized. Concentrating on tax strategies may lead farmers to mistake tax management for farm business management, often with poor results.

Hoodicoff suggested that farmers work more closely with their accountants to improve decisions on which the long-term profitability and survival of their farms depend. A competent accountant can help farmers plan such strategies, but this also means farmers must spend time discussing and viewing the situation as a whole.

Another pitfall of using certain tax strategies is that some farmers have increased their operating and long-term loans to the point where financial solvency could become serious. Potential tax liabilities deferred from one year to the next can build up and create unexpected difficulties in the future. For example, if farmers defer income from last year's grain sales to this year, their income will be much higher than expected, and they could be taxed at a much higher rate.

"At times it's better management to declare some income, pay some tax, and keep some cash in reserve for working capital" says Hoodicoff.

Another situation concerned capital investments in machinery, mainly due to earlier tax deferrals that decreased the year's taxable income.

"Better planning of the farm's situation would take into account both tax provisions and economic factors, and result in a more secure financial structure for the business" Hoodicoff added.

Strategies that minimize income aren't always best for the survival and future expansion of the business. Tax planning should be considered along with many other factors, in order to make optimal use of money and resources.

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Court Injunction Sought by IAA

The Indian Association of Alberta has said it will challenge the new law that grants non-Status Indian women the right to become band members again.

Helen Gladue, chairman of the Alberta Council of Treaty Women, said the association will ask the Supreme Court of Canada for an injunction to stop non-Status Native women from reghianing the Indian status they acquired when Bill C-31 was passed by parliament last month.

"Bill C-31 is not an equality issue, but a precedent that could change the status of all Indians", commented Gladue. "It is a gradual death to our special rights as Indians."

Section 25 of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms will be used by the association as an argument for the injunction to block non-Status Indians from regaining status rights.

Gladue noted the association did not put forth a strong front before Bill C-31 was passed, but is now prepared to fight the legislation as a united body.

Section 25 reads: "The guarantee in this Charter of certain rights and freedoms shall not be construed so as to abrograte or derogate from any Aboriginal Treaty, or other rights or freedoms that pertain to the Aboriginal peoples of Canada including a) any rights or freedoms that have been recognized by the Royal Proclamation of October 7, 1763; and b) any rights or freedoms that may be acquired by the Aboriginal peoples of Canada by way of land claims settlement".

Jenny Margetts, founder and president of Indian Rights for Indian Women, said she's been expecting a challenge ever since the legislation was enacted. "When our grandfathers signed those treaties, they signed for all of us, not just the men. I don't see it as a challenge to our rights or treaties", she said.

Margetts claimed the new bill will make all Indian peoples a lot stronger, and more able to form a united front to fight for even more rights.

Though it's highly unlikely the Indian Association of Alberta could get an injunction, they could seek a court declaration that Bill C-31 is in conflict with either Section 25 of the Charter, or section 35 of the Constitution.

Jim Robb, legal consultant for Margett's group, said the injunction "would have to be challenged in a federal court, then moved to the Supreme Court of Canada. The court would then decide if the sections are in conflect".

Non-Status Indian women may now gain full Indian rights by applying to the federal government for status. The Bill affects about 16,000 non-Status Indians.

Native Review Group Appointed

The Alberta Native Affairs and Alberta Manpower departments recently appointed twelve people to review Native education, employment and training practices.

"It's the second of five special working groups designed to address issues of concern in the Native Community" said Milt Pahl, Native Affairs Minister. "The manpower working group is part of a comprehensive effort by the province to meet the expressed needs of Native people".

Four provincial officials and eight people from the public sector will weigh recommendations put forth by Native leaders at workshops sponsored by the Metis Association of Alberta over the past year.

Said Pahl: "A special emphasis will be on enhancing the number of Native people in managerial and skilled positions. It's important that Alberta's Native people have an opportunity to gain the skills and training that will equip them to contribute to and share in the province's improving economy".

The workshops have focused in on areas such as education, employment, social services, recreation, land-related issues, housing, hunting, recreation and assistance for Native businesses.

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Government gets Tough on Impaired Drivers

By Allan Shapiro

John Gogo, M.L.A. for Lethbridge West and Chairman of AADAC, has announced the Government of Alberta's establishment of a permanent Impaired Driving Countermeasures Co-ordinating Committee.

Recognizing the serious consequences resulting from impaired driving, many Albertans, both individually and collectively, have demanded action be taken to alleviate the problem. Through extensive discussion and consultation with a wide range of concerned groups, it was evident that there was no simple solution to the problem.

There was, however, consensus that a long-term commitment to driver rehabilitation had the best chance of reducing impaired driving charges.

The establishment of the Countermeasures Committee indicates the government's serious approach in the matter. The Countermeasures Committee has a long term mandate to reduce incidents of impaired driving by co-ordinating:

1) The development and implementation of programs to increase apprehension and conviction of drunk drivers.

2) The development and distribution of credible public awareness and educational programs.

3) The development of community-based programs to reduce the acceptability of driving while impaired.

In addition, the Committee will be responsible for on-going planning and monitoring of program results. Said Gogo: "Impaired driving causes loss of life, injury and human misery that is truly preventable. Each of us as citizens has a personal responsibility or our fellow man to do our part."

Fort Resolution Moving Toward Self-Government

by Allan Shapiro

The settlement administration in Fort Resolution has gained new powers that will ultimately lead towards local self-government. Chief Robert Sayine and seven councillors, along with the minister of Local Government, Nick Sibbeston, signed an agreement recently that will see the old settlement council soon receive status similar to a hamlet.

"It's a step, a big step towards self-government", Sayine said. "It means more responsibility. The government is turning over powers to the community, and we will receive hamlet funding. It means better services because we will be handling them ourselves".

Tu Nedhe MLA Eliza Lawrence attended the ceremony along with Sibbeston, and later feasted at a community celebration.

Don Ellis, Regional Superintendent of Local Government, said the Fort Resolution settlement council was financially crippled under the old agreement. He remarked that the council previously had no authority under the Municipal Ordinance, and was legally only an advisory body to the territorial government. The new agreement could be the basis for a charter under the new municipal ordinance, due to be passed sometime later this year.

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One Native's Political View

by Lyndon Delorme

As a native Indian, I am very pleased to be able to express my political views in your *Native News*. I have spent a few years studying our Indian history, in addition to such important subjects as agriculture and administration. I also had the opportunity to get acquainted with the economic and political policies of the various Alberta political parties.

I was pleased to learn, that the Heritage Party of Alberta has formulated a very interesting policy on native affairs.

Let me quote from its political platform: "The Indians and Metis of Alberta must be duly represented in government and made responsible for the well-being of their people".

I have discussed some of the specifics of this policy with the Leaders of The Heritage Party, Mike Pawlus. His first statement was, that his party wants a strong and visible involvement of the native people in the economic and political process of our Province. He feels, that the native people have been given, so far, a marginal opportunity to look after themselves.

His party, says Pawlus, would give the native people, for the first time in the history of Alberta, an opportunity to manage their own affairs within the government organization. The native people know best their needs and it would be to their advantage, according to Pawlus, to look after these needs themselves, be it economic issues, education, culture and the aspirations of the native people in general.

It would be an encouraging step toward the unification of all the native people in their quest for a better standard of living and a just society. There are a lot of problems facing the native people today, but some of these problems could be solved or, at least, people would be made aware of their existence, through direct management of the native affairs by their own representatives on the highest level of our political structure.

Pawlus is appealing to the native people and individuals to give his party a strong support in its endeavours to implement its policies on native affairs.

The Heritage Party is inviting the native people to submit their proposals, suggestions and ideas, which would be given a serious consideration to further improve the party's policies on native affairs.

A comprehensive policy platform is available on request by phoning 432-1510.

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A citizen of Lookingglass, Oregon, claims a 30 inch catfish recently caught 'devoured ducks in a single terrifying gulp! He said other people claimed to have seen the duck-eating 'jaws' as well. What did he use as bait to catch the whopper? Well, a chicken, of course!

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The Little Bow River is the only source of water for over 75 water users including 2 municipalities and approximately 16,000 irrigated acres of forage and cereal crops. To meet these needs, water is diverted from the Highwood river and because of the current drought conditions additional measures must be taken to help maintain the economic and social security of the area.

The criteria to be used will be:

- The maximum rate of diversion will not exceed 60 percent of the natural flow in the Highwood River;
- The flow in the river below the Little Bow River canal diversion will not be allowed to drop below 70 cubic feet per second (cfs) as a result of diversion from the river.

To implement the emergency measures a temporary groyne in the Highwood River will be required.

Last year in the reach of the Highwood River downstream of the diversion works at High River, as a result of low flows, high temperatures and lower dissolved oxygen levels, the Alberta Fish and Wildlife Division estimated a mortality of approximately 1850 adult fish, most of which were mountain whitefish.

Trout spawning is now complete and an assessment of the fish population shows a resilience to the changes caused by the lower flows and higher temperatures. Given a return to normal flows and normal temperatures, it is anticipated that there will be a rapid repopulation of fish into the Highwood from the Bow River.

July 1985 Water Supply Outlook

Because of extremely dry weather in June, the forecast of summer water supply, for the major rivers of southern and central Alberta, has been reduced by Alberta Environments River Forecast Centre.

The latest forecast of summer water supply is as follows:

LOCATION	FORECAST 1985 % of average	ACTUAL 1984 % of average
Milk River at Milk River		
Oldman River near Lethbridge	36	7
Bow River at Calgary	58	49
Red Deer River at Red Deer	77	67
North Saskatchewan River at	50	42
Edmonton	75	67

For some areas of southern Alberta, including Lethbridge, rainfall amounts in June were record lows. Irrigation water usage was above average during the month because of the dry conditions. On July 1, levels in the major irrigation and hydroelectric power water storage reservoirs were generally close to normal in southern Alberta.

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by Wagamese

Ernie Crowchild had no respect for the rights of others, even those of his own family. Maybe some of you are like this Ernie. He didn't exactly know what words like 'respect' and 'rights' meant. If you know already, just listen and you will find out how Ernie learned about such things.

When big sister had a visitor, especially if it was a young man, everybody would go find something else to do. They understood she wanted to be alone to talke even for a little while. Not Ernie though, he would sit there with a serious look on his face, listening to every word. When she threw him out, he would sneak back in.

If his older brother was fixing a motor or doing something with tools, Ernie would hide those things. When his older brother would go looking elsewhere for them, Ernie would put them back. When his brother looked again, the tools would have reappeared. This worked very well, especially at night.

Sometimes when his younger brothers were fishing on the docks, Ernie would go down there and throw rocks in the water. Sometimes he would tell them it was suppertime. They would run home and find out it wasn't.

Ernie thought all those things were funny. Then strange and not very funny things started to happen to him.

It started when he was late for school one morning. He ran outside to jump on his bike. It was tied up in the tree in the backyard. It was way up off the gound and lots of wire had been used to tie it there. When he finally got to school the teacher didn't believe his story either.

At noon, when he came home for lunch he found a marble in his soup and a shoelace in his tea. While he was picking those out, his sister told him he shouldn't be playing with his food like that.

That evening Ernie was playing with some friends in a gravel pit. His younger brothersrode by on their bikes yelling something about Uncle John. Uncle John said he would bring Ernie a b.b. gun on his next visit. Ernie ran home right away.

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"Whoever is doing these things to me had better quit it. You're driving me crazy. Nobody should tie another person's stuff up in a tree. Nobody should play with another person's food. And nobody should bother another person with lies and mean tricks."

To all this his mother answered.

"Yes, everything you said is true Ernie. Nobody should bother another person like that, or when they are working, or when they are visiting or when they are fishing, either."

"Yes," said Ernie's father, "everybody has certain rights around here and everybody else has got to show respect for those. If we didn't, we'd all go crazy. We'd all be fighting one another. Pretty soon we wouldn't have much of a family left at all."

Ernie then understood what had been happening to him all day. From this, he learned about respect and about right.

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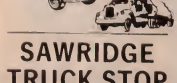
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by Wagamese

The children in the spider family were arguing as usual. One had discovered a fly trapped in the web and asked the others to help wrap it up. Spiders wind webbing around their catch to prevent its escaping by tearing the web.

"Why should we, you never help us when we ask you," the others replied. That was true, when it came to work, none of them helped each other.

Sometimes a kid just has to talk to his parents alone for awhile. If one of them was doing this, the others would always interrupt.

"You're just trying to hog all the attention", they would say.

When it was time to sleep or in a storm, they would have to all take shelter under a leaf. Nobody would ever get much sleep or stay dry. They took turns shoving each other outside.

"You have the warmest spot. You have the softest spot," they complained even though there was always plenty of room.

"The big ones are fat because they eat more," the little ones would say. "The little guys don't need as much," the largers ones would answer. This is how the conversation went around mealtimes.

One morning, the mother spider called them all together. She had just made a new web. It hung there bright, shiny and strong.

"Why do we make webs?" she asked.

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thick strands that go from that limb to this one," she said. "Well, let's say each of those is one of us here."

"what about the little strands between the big ones then," the smallest brother asked. The other ones glared at him.

"I'll come to that," she answered. She climbed up beside one of the thick strands. "Say this one is Simon," she said, then she bit it off.

"Hooray, no more Simon," the others cheered, except Simon. They all stopped cheering as she went to each different strand, called a name and broke that strand off. The web was getting smaller. Then there were only four strands left. She had used up all her children's names by then. They were all quiet which was very unusual for them.

They were all just staring at what was left of the web, four strands that made an X-shape with little strands inbetween.

'We certainly won't catch much in a web this size which means we'll be pretty hungry, won't we?" The little spiders all made a swallowing sound and nodded their heads seriously. The mother spider then continued. "Now if each of those big strands was one of us, then those little strands are what we share as a family. The little things, like food, like warmth, like attention, like work, without each other and without these sharing things," as she said this she paused, then she chewed away two more strands so the web completely disappeared. "Then our family would be no more."

Then her children understood what she was saying and how they had been. They all shared in the work of building a new web, shared the meal they caught and things just started going along more happily amongst them after that.

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Obedience

by Wagamese

Robert Spence was what everybody called a bad kid. He never listened to a thing his parents said. The funny thing was he had not always been that way.

His parents would tell him, "Robert, don't eat too much after school. You will be too full for supper."

By the time supper came around, Robert had more food in him than the refrigerator did.

Robert's father told him, "Robert, help clean up this house."

Robert thought telling his brothers and sisters what to do was helping. They didn't. By the time they had settled that fight, there was an even bigger mess to clean up.

Robert's mother told him, "Robert don't let that dog jump up on you with its dirty paws."

The next time Robert saw that dog, he jumped on the dog first. His mother didn't find that funny, neither did the dog.

"What is going on with Robert," his parents would ask each other. "He used to be so good. Now he never listens." They decided to ask the boy's grandfather who was visiting them just then.

The grandfather wasn't too surprised when Robert said, "Because they never listen to me either."

"When I ask them if I can stay at a friend's overnight, they just say 'no'. When somebody bigger than me is bugging me at school, they tell me not to be a baby. Sometimes I ask them why they fight. They say I'm too young to understand."

"That's why, grandfather, they don't listen to me either."

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spence family together.

He said, "I want to tell you people something, something about obedience, about obeying. About listening, too."

He looked at the children first.

"You kids have to listen because your parents are trying to raise you up to be good people. Also, sometimes you just can't decide some things for yourself yet. Like if you were given your mom or dad's paycheque, maybe you would forget to buy food or shoes or gas for the boats. Nothing bad in that, but that's the way kids are. Maybe, you'd stay out too late, or go too far from home. Maybe you'd get lost or hurt. Your parents couldn't help you then, if they let you do everything you wanted."

Then he said this to the parents.

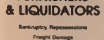
"Son, daughter-in-law, you must listen to your children too. You are making a good home for them here. That is obeying rules about being good parents, but also, you must never be afraid to tell them why you do things. Why you must say no to them sometimes. You must tend to their feelings as much as you do their cuts and bruises."

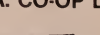
"Listen, but listen to each other too. Then he looked right at Robert like he was angry and said, "and you, Robert, keep off the dogs, out of the fridge, and do your share of the work."

Then he smiled, and went about lighting his pipe.

"I promise to do all those things, if you please promise us you will come around to visit more often," Robert replied.

The old man just laughed out loud. He promised to obey his grandson's wishes and he did too.





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The Games provincial co-ordinator, Terry Lavallee, said the annual event promises to be bigger and more exciting than previous affairs. The Games will also coincide with the annual Blackfoot Indian Days.

Also on tap during the Games is the international slowpitch tournament, which will showcase teams from Minnesota, North Idaho, Montana, Washington and of course, Alberta. A summer basketball tournament featuring top Native teams from across the continent is also slated.

Other competitions in the Games include archery, canoeing, soccer, tennis, track and field, handgames, cycling, golf and the infamous "Iron Indian Triathlon". The triathlon consists of a one km swim, 9 km run, and a 20 km bike ride. Tony Shirt from Saddle Lake is the odds-on favorite to win the event. Shirt won last year's triathlon by an incredible 43 minutes over his nearest rival.

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Formed several years ago to combat all forms of racism, the Race Relations Council of Edmonton has done an effective job clarifying many misunderstandings in an effort to sensitize the public to the deep-rooted problems of racial disharmony.

The main objectives of the council are:

- Raise public awareness and increase multicultural understanding.
- Promote tolerance, understanding and appreciation among all citizens of Edmontpn.
- Develop and implement multicultural programs.
- Deal with issues and concerns that pertain to race relations.
- Play an advocacy role on behalf of minority groups, particularly visible peoples.

The Secretary of State has given a grant to the council to provide educational programs and develop new strategies in schools, church groups, labor organizations, community leagues, and services and professional business organizations.

The council believes that education is both a personal and public social tool to help prepare citizens from all cultures to live in peace and harmony.

Over the past few months, the council has been successful in some of its objectives by developing a final draft on educational programs, and then presenting it at a number of elementary and junior high schools.

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